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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SENV, JA

SUBJECT: MEETING ON REGULATION OF FLUOROCARBONS  
APRIL 26-28

REF: TOKYO 2677

1. WE ARE QUITE CONCERNED THAT JAPANESE DID NOT ATTEND  
RECENTLY CONCLUDED UNEP (SCIENTIFIC) MEETING ON THE OZONE  
LAYER AND DO NOT PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN APRIL 26-28  
(REGULATORY) MEETING ON FLUOROCARBONS. REGARDLESS OF A  
COUNTRY'S PERCEPTIONS CONCERNING THE SERIOUSNESS OR  
IMMEDIACY OF THE ISSUE OF OZONE DEPLETION, IT IS A GLOBAL  
QUESTION WHICH SHOULD BE OF INTEREST TO ALL COUNTRIES.

2. YOU WILL BE RECEIVING IN NEAR FUTURE A LENGTHY CABLE  
(TO ALL ORIGINAL INVITEES) GIVING CONSIDERABLE FURTHER  
BACKGROUND AND CLARIFICATION OF PURPOSES OF THE SUBJECT  
MEETING. INTER ALIA, CABLE WILL MAKE CLEAR THAT THE MEETING  
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WILL NOT PRESS HARD TOWARD ACHIEVING NOW ANY TYPE OF AGREE-  
MENT ON INTERNATIONAL REGULATION OF FLUOROCARBONS. (EVEN  
IF WE WISHED TO PURSUE SUCH AN AGGRESSIVE POSITION, IT  
CLEAR THAT MANY COUNTRIES, INCLUDING JAPAN, NOT READY TAKE  
SUCH STEPS.)

3. WE WILL BE REVIEWING IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS THE OUTCOME  
OF THE UNEP MEETING WITH GOJ EMBASSY OFFICIALS HERE, AND

TAKING THE OPPORTUNITY TO URGE THEM TO SEEK A POSITIVE  
RESPONSE TO OUR INVITATION TO THE APRIL 26-28 MEETING.  
WE BELIEVE EMBASSY TOKYO SHOULD IN ADDITION MAKE FURTHER  
EFFORTS TO OBTAIN GOJ ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING. AS OF  
THIS WRITING, JAPAN IS THE ONLY COUNTRY WHICH HAS SAID  
IT NOT COMING TO APRIL MEETING (ALTHOUGH NOT ALL  
OTHER INVITEES HAVE FORMALLY RESPONDED POSITIVELY  
YET).

4. DRAWING ON PRECEDING AND SEPTTEL, EMBASSY REQUESTED MAKE  
RENEWED, APPROPRIATELY HIGH LEVEL EFFORT TO STIMULATE  
POSITIVE GOJ RESPONSE TO INVITATION TO APRIL MEETING.  
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